

**641—3.13 (135) Procedure to accommodate parental objection.** These rules shall not apply if the parent objects to the hearing screening.

**3.13(1)** If a parent objects to the screening, the birthing hospital, birth center, physician, or other health care professional shall obtain a written refusal from the parent or guardian on the department newborn hearing screening or diagnostic assessment refusal form and shall maintain the original copy of the written refusal in the newborn's, infant's or child's medical record.

**3.13(2)** The birthing hospital, birth center, physician, or other health care professional shall send a copy of the written newborn hearing screening or diagnostic assessment refusal form to the department within six days of the birth of the newborn.

**3.13(3)** If a parent objects to a hearing rescreen or diagnostic assessment orally to a department EHDI staff member during follow-up, the staff member shall document the refusal in the department's designated reporting system and mail to the parent or guardian the department newborn hearing screening or diagnostic assessment refusal form in an attempt to obtain a written refusal to be maintained in the newborn's, infant's or child's medical record.

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